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**AMENDMENT**

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to the Office Action of September 9, 2005, the shortened statutory period for response to which has been extended to January 9, 2006 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are shown in a list that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.